Call for ESC-volunteers

YFU Germany is offering a great opportunity to be a full-time volunteer with YFU Germany starting as soon as possible in 2019. The project is financed through the European Voluntary Service (ESC) program of the European Commission and lasts for one Year (12 Months).

Period of ESC-project and application deadline

We are currently searching for one volunteer from Turkey (12 months, 350 days, 30 days holyday) who can start as soon as possible in 2019. To apply for this position please send us your application as quick as possible and no later than 15.10.2019.

Project Description:

Colored Glasses is an educational project of Youth for Understanding Germany which aims to reach young people with a message of appreciation of cultural diversity and international cooperation. As a nonprofit association YFU Germany is organizing long-term and educational youth exchange for over 60 years and is therefore promoting tolerance and international understanding. The aim of Colored Glasses workshops are to allow young people to examine their own attitudes towards their own cultures as well as other cultures, and to gain an understanding of issues such as culture and identity, intercultural communication, stereotypes, prejudice, discrimination and inequality, human rights and responsibility, in order to develop their intercultural and global citizenship competences. Colored Glasses workshops are conducted with school pupils, youth clubs or other relevant youth organizations. Colored Glassed use the approach and values of non-formal education and promote peer-to-peer learning. The workshops are open to everyone and especially for those who do not have the chance or possibility to go on a youth exchange by themselves.

Also, this project is giving participants the chance to discover their potential and their possibilities of international relationships and cooperation. With Colored Glasses we want to develop the competences of our participants to be a more tolerant, active and sensitive part of our society. Colored Glasses is volunteer based project and is donation-funded.
Project Environment: The ESC volunteer will be living in either a host family or in a rented room in the beautiful city of Hamburg, where the YFU-office is located. In Hamburg you can enjoy sports, recreation, cafés, shopping and more. The volunteer will be spending some days in the YFU office and some days travelling around Germany in order to conduct workshops in schools. While travelling, the volunteer will be placed in the homes of other volunteers.

Project Activities for the volunteers:

- conducting Colored Glasses workshops
- reporting and quality assurance of the project
- supporting the office staff of YFU Germany
- supporting the regional coordinators of Colored Glasses
- training of Colored Glasses volunteers

Requirements:

- at least 18 years old
- fluent in English and basic knowledge of German (and willingness to learn German)
- basic knowledge of Colored Glasses
- basic computer knowledge
- motivation and willingness to work with youngsters
- willingness to work in a team with YFU staff and volunteers

Expenses and accommodation:

The costs of the project are covered through a grant from the European Commission. Accommodation will be arranged in either a host family or in a rented room in Hamburg. The project covers travel to and from Germany, insurance, visa-costs and all work-related expenses. In addition, the volunteer will receive a monthly allowance and a monthly card for transportation within Hamburg.

How to apply:

Please send us your CV and letter of motivation no later than 15th of October 2019 to klingebiel@yfu.de